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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2022-2023

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by MR BRADDOCK on 26 AUGUST 2022: MR DANIEL IGLESIAS took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 26 August 2022

In relation to:

MR BRADDOCK: Do we have any performance metrics on those sort of lower level plantings?

Mr Iglesias: Not explicitly performance metrics but we can get an idea as to how we are going by the activity of those groups, by the take up of grants, for example, that the minister recently announced in relation to the Adopt a Park program and also, the continuing growth in the number of groups and the membership of those groups, so we have got that indirect indication as to the sort of take up and the interest of the community.

MR BRADDOCK: Could you please provide me, on notice, some of that activity indicators that you might have, just the number of groups and the increase and so forth.

Mr Iglesias: So specifically, the number of groups involved in that activity?

MR BRADDOCK: I guess, the lead indicators you have described which may not directly equate to X shrubs in the ground but give an indication of that there is increased activity in the ACT.

Mr Iglesias: Sure.

MR BRADDOCK: Thank you.

CHRIS STEEL MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: -

- There are currently 78 registered volunteer groups through the Urban Parks Program with several more working towards registration up from 41 at the start of 2020.
- Volunteer hours captured for 2021 indicate 1,619 hours of planting with 93 planting events across 23 groups, compared with 931 hours across 19 groups during 50 planting events in 2020.

• Of the 22 Adopt-a-Park grants awarded in 2021-22, 12 plan to deliver new plantings of shrubs and grasses.

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By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Chris Steel MLA